



**Top Freezer
No-Frost Refrigerator/Freezer**

**Use and Care Book
for models TBF16, TBF18, TBFM18**

READ THIS BOOK

to get the

BEST PERFORMANCE

from your

REFRIGERATOR



SAVE ENERGY

See energy saving tips on page 4.

SAVE TIME AND MONEY

Use the trouble-shooting guide on the back cover.

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IMPORTANT things to know and do when your new refrigerator is delivered

READ THIS USE AND CARE BOOK.

It contains detailed information on the operation and recommended maintenance of your new refrigerator. Once you have read it, keep it handy for answers to questions you may have.

If you have any additional questions concerning the operation of your refrigerator, write—including your phone number—to:

CONSUMER AFFAIRS
GENERAL ELECTRIC COMPANY
APPLIANCE PARK
LOUISVILLE, KENTUCKY 40225

IF YOU RECEIVED A DAMAGED REFRIGERATOR, immediately contact the dealer (or builder) from whom you purchased it. He has been informed of the proper procedure to take care of such matters and can handle it for you.

BEFORE YOU CALL FOR SERVICE,

check the Trouble-Shooting Guide on the back cover of this book. It lists many minor causes of operating problems that you can correct yourself and may save you an unnecessary service call.

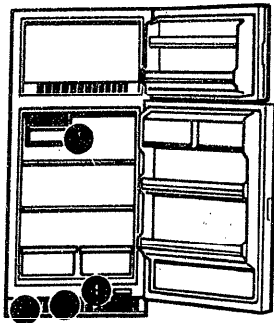
NEED SERVICE?

In many cities, there's a General Electric Factory Service Center with experts in fixing GE appliances. Call them, and a radio-dispatched truck will come to your home by appointment—morning or afternoon. Charge the work, if you like. All the centers accept both Master Charge and Visa cards. (Phone numbers are on page 9.)

Or look for General Electric Franchised Customer Care® servicers. You'll find them in the Yellow Pages under REFRIGERATORS & FREEZERS—REPAIRING.

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GET ACQUAINTED WITH YOUR REFRIGERATOR



1. Temperature controls
2. Rollers or leveling legs (behind grille)
3. Defrost water pan (behind grille)
4. Rating plate—record model and serial numbers here for future reference.

Model # _____

Serial # _____

Do not remove rating plate.

LOCATE THE MODEL AND SERIAL NUMBERS.

Should you ever need to call for service you will need these numbers.

- Enter both these numbers in the space provided above.
- Give both these numbers if you ever need to call for service.

You will also find it convenient to have the following information:

Dealer's Name _____

Date Purchased _____

KEEP PURCHASE RECEIPT WITH THIS BOOK FOR FUTURE REFERENCE.

If you need service literature, parts lists, parts or accessories, contact one of the Factory Service Centers, a franchised Customer Care Servicer or your General Electric dealer.

Extended Service Contracts: The terms of your warranty provide free service covering failures due to

manufacturing defects for a definite period of time. (See page 8). After this warranty expires you may purchase an Extended Service Contract which will enable you to budget your service needs. This coverage beyond warranty is available from our Factory Service Centers and from many franchised Customer Care Servicers. It is a good idea to apply for this coverage before your warranty expires.

If you are dissatisfied with the service you received here are three steps you should follow:

FIRST, contact the people who serviced your refrigerator. Explain why you are dissatisfied. In most cases this will solve the problem.

NEXT, if you are still dissatisfied, write all the details—including your phone number—to:

Manager, Customer Relations
General Electric Company
Watterson City East—Room 316
Appliance Park
Louisville, Kentucky 40225

FINALLY, if your problem is still not resolved, write or telephone:

Major Appliance Consumer Action Panel
20 North Wacker Drive
Chicago, Illinois 60606

This panel, known as MACAP, is a group of independent consumer experts under the sponsorship of several industry associations. Its purpose is to study practices and advise the industry of ways to improve customer service. Because MACAP is free of industry control and influence, it is able to make impartial recommendations, considering each case individually.

IMPORTANT CAUTIONS

READ ALL INSTRUCTIONS BEFORE USING THIS APPLIANCE

WARNING—When using this appliance, always exercise basic safety precautions, including the following:

- Use this appliance only for its intended purpose as described in this Use and Care Book.
- This refrigerator must be properly installed in accordance with the Installation Instructions before it is used. See grounding instructions on next page.
- Never unplug your refrigerator by pulling on the power cord. Always grip the plug firmly and pull straight out from the receptacle.
- Repair or replace immediately all electric service cords that have become frayed or otherwise damaged. Do not use a cord that shows cracks or abrasion damage along its length or at either the plug or connector end.

- When moving your refrigerator away from the wall, be careful not to roll over or damage the power cord.
- After your refrigerator is in operation, do not touch the cold surfaces, particularly when hands are damp or wet. Skin may adhere to these extremely cold surfaces.
- Some refrigerators are equipped with automatic icemakers. Do not place fingers or hands on the automatic icemaking mechanism while the refrigerator is plugged in. This will prevent contact with the moving parts of the ejector mechanism, or with the heating element that releases the cubes.
- Do not operate your refrigerator in the presence of explosive fumes.

SEE ADDITIONAL IMPORTANT CAUTIONS ON PAGE 2.

Important Cautions (continued)

• Unplug your refrigerator:

A. Before making any repairs—(NOTE: We strongly recommend that any servicing be performed by a qualified individual.)

B. Before cleaning.

C. Before replacing a burned-out light bulb, the refrigerator should be unplugged in order to avoid contact with a live wire filament. (A burned-out light bulb may break when being replaced.)

Note: Turning control to OFF position does not remove power to the light circuit.

• If your old refrigerator is still around the house but not in use, be sure to remove the doors. This will reduce the possibility of danger to children.

• **Don't refreeze frozen foods which have thawed completely.** The United States Department of Agriculture in Home and Garden Bulletin No. 69 says, "... You may safely refreeze frozen foods that have thawed if they still contain ice crystals or if they are still cold—below 40°F.— and have been held no longer than 1 or 2 days at refrigerator temperature after thawing. In general, if a food is safe to eat, it is safe to refreeze.

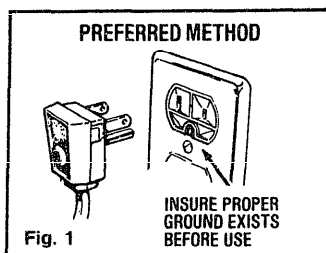
Thawed ground meats, poultry, or fish that have any off-odor or off-color should not be refrozen and should not be eaten. Thawed ice cream should be discarded. If the odor or color of any food is poor or questionable, get rid of it. The food may be dangerous to eat.

Even partial thawing and refreezing reduce the eating quality of foods, particularly fruits, vegetables, and prepared foods. The eating quality of red meats is affected less than that of many other foods. Use refrozen foods as soon as possible to save as much of their eating quality as you can."

Electrical Requirements **IMPORTANT: PLEASE READ CAREFULLY**

FOR PERSONAL SAFETY, THIS APPLIANCE MUST BE PROPERLY GROUNDED.

The power cord of this appliance is equipped with a three-prong (grounding) plug which mates with a standard three-prong (grounding) wall receptacle (Fig. 1) to minimize the possibility of electric shock hazard from this appliance. Have the wall receptacle checked by a qualified electrician to make sure the receptacle is properly grounded.



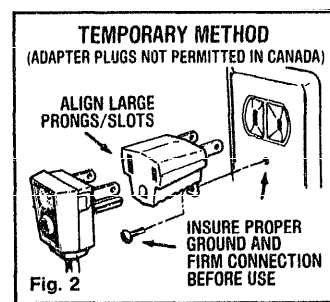
Where a standard two-prong wall receptacle is encountered, it is the personal responsibility and obligation of the customer to have it replaced with a properly grounded three-prong wall receptacle.

DO NOT, UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES, CUT OR REMOVE THE THIRD (GROUND) PRONG FROM THE POWER CORD.

USAGE OF ADAPTER PLUG

Because of potential safety hazards under certain conditions, we strongly recommend against the use of an adapter plug. However, if you still elect to use an adapter, where local codes permit, a **TEMPORARY CONNECTION** may be made to a properly grounded two-prong wall receptacle by the use of a UL listed adapter which is available at

most local hardware stores (Fig. 2). The larger slot in the adapter must be aligned with the larger slot in the wall receptacle to provide proper polarity in the connection of the power cord.



CAUTION: Attaching adapter ground terminal to wall receptacle cover does not ground the appliance unless cover screw is metal, and not insulated, and wall receptacle is grounded through house wiring. Customer should have the circuit checked by a qualified electrician to make sure the receptacle is properly grounded.

When disconnecting the power cord from the adapter, always hold the adapter with one hand. If this is not done, the adapter ground terminal is very likely to break with repeated use. Should this happen, **DO NOT USE** the appliance until a proper ground has again been established.

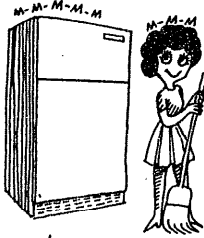
THE REFRIGERATOR SHOULD ALWAYS BE PLUGGED INTO ITS OWN INDIVIDUAL ELECTRICAL OUTLET (115 volt, 60 Hertz, or 100 volt, 50 Hertz, single phase AC). This is recommended for best performance and to prevent overloading house wiring circuits, which could cause a possible fire hazard from overheating wires.

USE OF EXTENSION CORDS

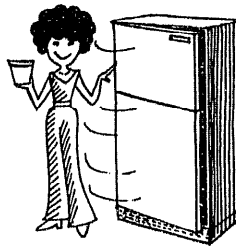
Because of potential safety hazards under certain conditions, we strongly recommend against the use of an extension cord. However, if you still elect to use an extension cord, it is absolutely necessary that it be a UL listed

3-wire grounding appliance extension cord and that the current carrying rating of the cord be 15 amperes minimum. Such extension cords are obtainable through your local service organization.

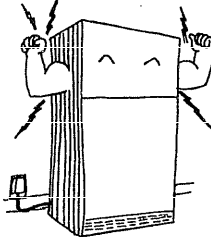
Facts About Your New Refrigerator



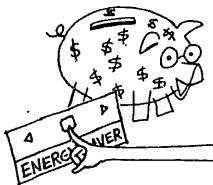
It's normal to hear your new refrigerator doing its job—the high-speed compressor necessary to maintain near-zero temperatures in the large freezer section plus the air circulating fans can produce higher sound levels than your old refrigerator.



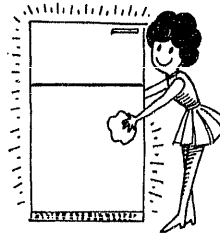
To make the doors of your new refrigerator close easily, raise the front of the refrigerator. Two adjusting screws are provided behind the front grille for adjusting the height. Raising the front of the refrigerator makes door closing more positive. Instructions for adjusting the screws are listed at the bottom of this page. If your refrigerator is equipped with rollers, it is easy to roll the refrigerator straight out for cleaning.



Chances are your new refrigerator provides more fresh food and frozen food storage space at more uniform cold temperatures than your old refrigerator—therefore, it may run longer.



Because your new refrigerator has an **ENERGY SAVER SWITCH**, it is easy to conserve electricity. Keep the energy saver switch in the *normal* setting as much as possible to save electricity. Change the switch setting if moisture forms on the exterior of the refrigerator. Usually this will be necessary only when the humidity is high in the area around your refrigerator.



To keep your refrigerator new looking and provide protection for the exterior paint finish, apply a coat of appliance polish wax when the refrigerator is new and then at least twice a year. Proper care of the paint finish will help maintain the new look and provide protection against rusting. If the exterior should become soiled, wipe it off with a *clean* cloth lightly dampened with appliance polish or mild household detergent. Use a *clean*, soft cloth to dry and polish the cleaned surface. **DO NOT** wipe with a soiled dishwashing cloth or a wet towel.



It's easy to get faster ice service from your new refrigerator whenever it doesn't produce enough ice to satisfy your needs. Just set the temperature controls to "D" or "E" and "7," "8" or "9." Return temperature controls to normal settings when ice bucket is full.



If your new refrigerator has an automatic icemaker you will periodically hear ice dropping into the bucket followed by the sound of running water as the icemaker mold refills automatically. Don't be alarmed. These are normal sounds of your icemaker at work.

Installation

Do not install refrigerator where temperature will go below 60°F. because it will not run frequently enough to maintain proper temperatures.

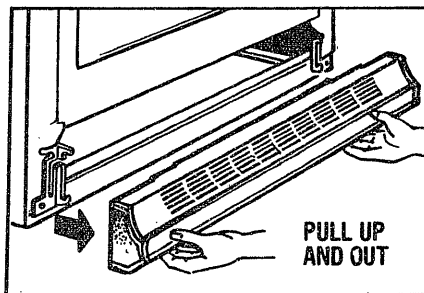
Be sure to install it on a floor that is strong enough to support a fully loaded refrigerator.

Allow 5/8 inch at each side and 1 inch over top for ease of installation and proper air circulation.

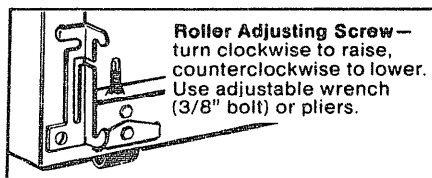
When building a new home, consider providing water supply to refrigerator location. It will simplify connection of optional automatic icemaker should you wish to install one at a later date.

Adjustable rollers (on models so equipped), which enable you to move your refrigerator away from the wall for cleaning, or **leveling legs** are located behind the base grille. These rollers, or leveling legs, should be set so that the refrigerator is firmly positioned on the floor and the front is

raised just enough that the doors close easily when opened about halfway.



Remove base grille by grasping at bottom and pulling up and out.



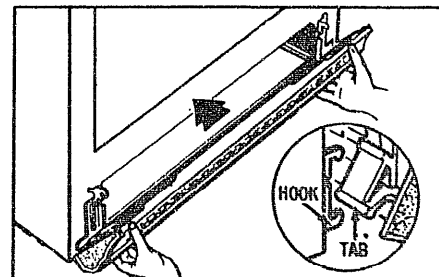
Turn roller adjusting screws clockwise to raise the refrigerator, counterclockwise to lower it.

To Adjust Leveling Legs



Remove base grille and turn leveling legs clockwise to raise the refrigerator, counterclockwise to lower it.

When adjusting front leveling legs or rollers for proper door closure, it is recommended that the bottom front edge of the cabinet be approximately 5/8 inch from the floor.



Set tabs on hooks at both ends and push top toward refrigerator until grille snaps into place.

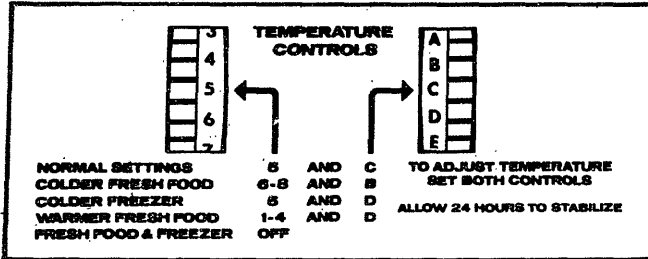
Operating Your Refrigerator

NO DEFROSTING

It is not necessary to defrost the freezer or fresh food compartments. Your refrigerator is designed and equipped to defrost itself automatically.

TEMPERATURE CONTROLS

Your refrigerator has two controls that let you regulate the temperature in the Fresh Food and Freezer compartments.



Initially set controls at "5" and "C"

For colder Fresh Food compartment: set controls at "6," "7," or "8," and "B"

For colder Freezer compartment: set controls at "5" and "D"

For warmer Fresh Food compartment: set controls at "4," "3," "2," or "1," and "D"

Note: Turning numbered control to "OFF" turns off refrigeration in both Fresh Food and Freezer compartments.

After adjusting the temperature controls, allow 24 hours for temperatures to stabilize.

Temperature Guide

If you turn your household thermostat down to 60° each evening, you may find it desirable to turn your lettered control to colder setting by one letter, such as from "C" to "D" and leave it at this setting during the entire period that you are setting the household thermostat down each evening. The numbered setting will not likely need to be changed; however, if you experience freezing in Fresh Food compartment, you could set the numbered control one number warmer—such as "5" to "4."

If a container of milk is too warm or too cold to your preference after being on top shelf in Fresh Food compartment for a day, adjust Temperature Controls accordingly.

When Fresh Food compartment temperature is satisfactory, make the ice cream test. If ice cream remains firm to the touch after being in Freezer compartment for a day, Temperature Controls are at proper setting. If the ice cream's firmness is not to your liking, adjust controls accordingly.

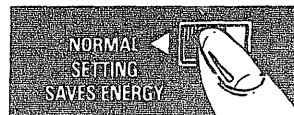
Check a day after resetting either control to make sure the new setting is providing the temperature you desire.

If you advance the lettered control to "E" to freeze a quick supply of ice cubes or a large amount of food, be sure to reset the control to its previous setting within a day.

ENERGY SAVER SWITCH

Your refrigerator has an Energy Saver Switch located on the upper left side of the Fresh Food compartment

To reduce the amount of electricity required to operate your refrigerator, push switch to the left to the NORMAL position.



This turns off heaters in your refrigerator that prevent moisture from forming on the outside.

Use of this switch can save you money. Estimated yearly savings, depending on your local electric rates, are as follows:

Model	Estimated Yearly Savings			Approx. % of Energy Savings
	Electric Rate (Per Kwh)			
	\$.05	\$.08	\$.11	
All TBF16's (except TBF16C)	\$20.00	\$33.00	\$46.00	23%
TBF16C	\$22.00	\$35.00	\$48.00	27%
TBF18 TBFM18	\$22.00	\$35.00	\$49.00	22%

You can leave the Energy Saver Switch on NORMAL, but, heaters used to prevent moisture from forming on the exterior of the refrigerator will be turned off. Therefore, when the weather is humid, there is a chance that moisture will form on the outside of the refrigerator cabinet.

When it is very humid, enough moisture can form to cause water droplets to run down the cabinet exterior. The humidity is most likely to be high in the summer, in the early morning hours, and in homes which are not air conditioned.

This moisture may not be objectionable to you. However, over extended periods it is possible that the moisture can cause deterioration to the painted finish of the cabinet.

When the Energy Saver Switch is pushed to the right, electricity flows through the low wattage heaters which warm the exterior of the cabinet and, under most conditions, prevent the forming of moisture or water droplets.



You may find it most desirable to move the Energy Saver Switch to the right only in very humid weather and leave the switch on NORMAL the remainder of the time, even if some moisture forms from time to time. However, it will be important to use appliance polish wax as described on page 7 to provide added protection for the paint finish.

ENERGY-SAVING TIPS

- Location of your refrigerator is important. Try not to locate it next to your range, a heating vent or where sunshine will strike it.
- Don't open doors more often than necessary.
- Close the doors as soon as possible, particularly in hot, humid weather.
- Keep Energy Saver Switch on NORMAL setting unless moisture forms on exterior of cabinet.
- Be sure the doors are closed tightly. Before leaving the house or retiring for the night, check to be sure doors haven't been left ajar inadvertently.
- Store only those foods requiring refrigeration in your refrigerator.
- Allow warm or hot foods to cool before placing them in your refrigerator.
- Wipe all moisture from bottles and cartons before putting them in the refrigerator.
- Keep all foods covered to reduce moisture buildup inside the refrigerator.
- Don't waste ice cubes by letting many melt while using only a few.
- If you turn controls to coldest position for quick chilling or freezing, be sure to turn them back to normal setting.
- Don't overcrowd your refrigerator. Overcrowding can require extra electrical energy to keep everything cool.

Food Storage

Unfrozen Meats, Fish, Poultry

Meats, fish and poultry purchased from the store vary in quality and age; consequently, safe storage time in your refrigerator will vary.

- Always remove store wrappings.
- Rewrap in aluminum foil, film or wax paper and refrigerate immediately.

Cheese

Cheese should be well wrapped with wax paper, aluminum foil or put in a plastic bag.

- Carefully wrap to expel air and prevent mold.
- Store pre-packaged cheese in its own wrapping if you wish.

Vegetables

Vegetable drawers have been specially designed to preserve natural moisture and freshness of produce.

- Crispness can be maintained by covering vegetables with a moist towel.
- As a further aid to freshness, it is suggested that pre-packaged vegetables be stored in their original wrapping.

Ice Cream

Fine-quality ice cream, with high cream content, will normally require slightly lower temperatures than more "airy" already-packaged brands with low cream content.

- It will be necessary to experiment to determine the location in the freezer and the control dial setting to keep your favorite ice cream at the right serving temperature.
- Also, the rear of the freezer is slightly colder than the front.

Suggested Storage Times— Meat and Poultry*

Eating quality drops after time shown	IN	IN
	REFRIGERATOR AT 35° to 40°F. DAYS	FREEZER AT 0°F. MONTHS
FRESH MEATS		
Roasts (Beef and Lamb)	3 to 5	6 to 12
Roasts (Pork and Veal)	5 to 5	4 to 8
Steaks (Beef)	3 to 5	6 to 12
Chops (Lamb)	3 to 5	6 to 9
Chops (Pork)	3 to 5	3 to 4
Ground and Stew Meats	1 to 2	2 to 3
Variety Meats	1 to 2	3 to 4
Sausage (Pork)	1 to 2	2 to 3
PROCESSED MEATS		
Bacon	7	1
Frankfurters	7	½
Ham (Whole)	7	1 to 2
Ham (Half)	5	1 to 2
Ham (Slices)	3	1 to 2
Luncheon Meats	3 to 5	Freezing not recom- mended.
Sausage (Smoked)	7	
Sausage (Dry and Semi-Dry)	14 to 21	
COOKED MEATS		
Cooked Meats and Meat Dishes	3 to 4	2 to 3
Gravy and Meat Broth	1 to 2	2 to 3
FRESH POULTRY		
Chicken and Turkey (Whole)	1 to 2	12
Chicken (Pieces)	1 to 2	9
Turkey (Pieces)	1 to 2	6
Duck and Goose (Whole)	1 to 2	6
Giblets	1 to 2	3
COOKED POULTRY		
Pieces (Covered with Broth)	1 to 2	6
Pieces (Not Covered)	1 to 2	1
Cooked Poultry Dishes	1 to 2	6
Fried Chicken	1 to 2	4

New techniques are constantly being developed. Consult the State College or County Extension Service or your local Utility Company for the latest information on freezing and storing foods.

*U.S. Department of Agriculture

Suggested Freezer Storage Times* (other than for meats & poultry)

Most fruits and vegetables	8-12 months
Lean fish	6-8 months
Fatty fish, rolls and breads, soups, stew, casseroles	2-3 months
Cakes, pies, sandwiches, left-overs (cooked), Ice cream (original carton)	1 month max.

Tips on Freezing Foods

There are three essential requirements for efficient home freezing.

- 1. Initial quality.** Only top-quality foods should be frozen. Freezing retains quality and flavor; it cannot improve quality.
- 2. Speed.** The quicker fruits and vegetables are frozen after picking, the better the frozen product will be. You'll save time, too, because less culling and sorting will be necessary.
- 3. Proper packaging.** Use food wraps designed especially for freezing; they're readily available in a wide selection at your favorite store.

To Freeze Meat, Fish, Poultry

Wrap well in freezer-weight foil (or other heavy-duty wrapping material), forming it carefully to the shape of the contents. This expels air. Fold and crimp ends of the package to provide a good, lasting seal. Don't refreeze meat that has completely thawed; meat, whether raw or cooked, can be frozen successfully only once.

Limit freezing of fresh (unfrozen) meats or seafoods to 14 pounds at a time.

Organize your food storage for convenience and to save money in energy and food costs

For convenience

- Store all like things together. This not only saves time, but electricity—because you can find foods faster.
- Place the oldest items up front so they can be used up promptly.
- Use the handy shelves on the door for most frequently used sauces and condiments.
- Use the meat drawer, if your model is so equipped, for meats you do not freeze.

To save money

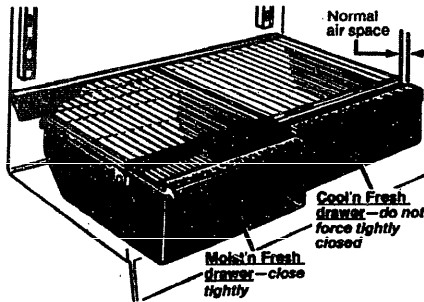
- Place most perishable items such as milk, cream or cottage cheese toward the rear of the top shelf as they

will stay coldest in this part of the fresh food compartment.

- Cover moist foods with tight lids, plastic film or foil.
- Leaf vegetables and fruits placed in storage drawers will last longer when stored in closed plastic containers or wrapped in plastic film.
- Do not overload your fresh food or freezer compartment with a lot of warm food at once.
- Open the door the fewest times possible to save electrical energy.
- When out of town for several days, leave as few perishables as possible in the refrigerator. If your refrigerator is equipped with an icemaker, move icemaker manual switch to "OFF" and shut off water to refrigerator.

Fresh Food Compartment

MOIST'N FRESH & COOL'N FRESH DRAWERS (on models so equipped)



Each of the two lower level storage drawers is designed to maintain a level of humidity appropriate for the fresh food items listed below.

Moist'n Fresh Drawer

This refrigerated drawer is designed to keep unwrapped foods fresh longer by retaining the natural moisture content of foods such as:

- Artichokes
- Asparagus
- Beets, topped
- Blueberries
- Broccoli
- Brussels Sprouts
- Cabbage
- Carrots
- Cauliflower
- Celery
- Cherries
- Corn
- Currants
- Greens, leafy
- Green Onions,
- Leeks
- Lettuce
- Parsnips
- Parsley
- Peas, green
- Plums
- Radishes
- Rhubarb
- Spinach
- Tomatoes, ripe
- Turnips

Storage time will depend upon the type of food and its condition when placed in the drawer.

The Moist'n Fresh drawer is partially sealed by gaskets attached to the cover at the front and back edges.

Always replace the Moist'n Fresh drawer in the cover as shown in the diagram and push the drawer all the way in.

As in any refrigerated storage area, it is recommended that odorous foods such as onions, brussels sprouts, broccoli, cabbage and cauliflower be stored wrapped.

Excess water which may accumulate in the bottom of the Moist'n Fresh drawer should be poured out and the drawer wiped dry.

Cool'n Fresh Drawer

This refrigerated drawer is designed to provide lower humidity storage for items such as:

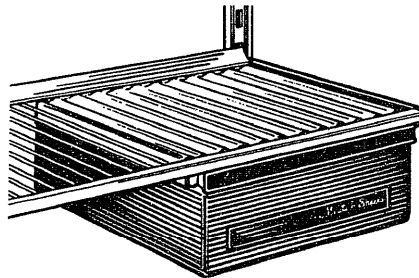
- Apples
- Apricots
- Grapes
- Mushrooms
- Nectarines
- Oranges
- Peaches
- Pears
- Raspberries
- Squash, summer
- Strawberries
- Tangerines

A special bumper at the rear of the Cool'n Fresh drawer keeps the drawer from going all the way in. The slight opening that's maintained at the front edge of the drawer allows proper air flow to provide a lower humidity storage area.

DO NOT ATTEMPT TO FORCE COOL'N FRESH DRAWER TIGHTLY CLOSED.

MEATS'N SNACKS DRAWER

(on models so equipped)



Many General Electric No-Frost Top-Freezer Refrigerators have an adjustable Meats'n Snacks drawer. You may relocate the drawer to suit your storage needs.

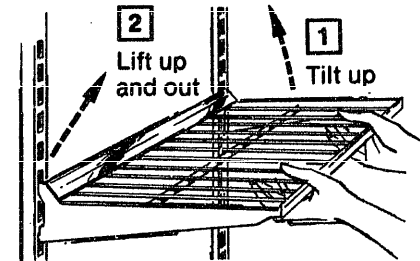
On full-width shelf models, just slide drawer out, remove drawer cover from shelf above, relocate cover in the position you desire it and slide drawer back into place.

On half-width shelf models, drawer and shelf to which it attaches can be relocated at any level.

ADJUSTABLE SHELVES

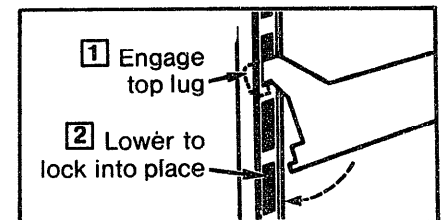
(on models so equipped)

Most General Electric No-Frost Refrigerators have adjustable shelves which let you vary the amount of space between the shelves for greater storage flexibility.



To adjust shelves:

Remove shelf by tilting up at front, then lifting up and out of track on rear wall of refrigerator.



To replace shelves:

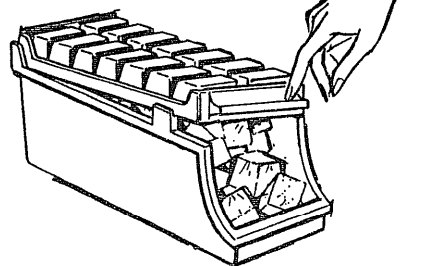
Select desired shelf height. With shelf front raised slightly, engage top lugs in tracks at rear of cabinet. Then lower front of shelf until it locks into position.

Tempered glass shelves (on models so equipped) are adjustable in the same manner.

Freezer Compartment

ICE 'N EASY

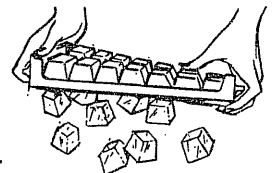
(on models so equipped)



To release ice cubes:

invert tray, insert one end in the slot at the rear of the ice storage bin and press at front right side.

Inverted tray may also be held over bin, and both ends twisted to release cubes.



On models without ice storage bin, twist trays as shown above to release cubes.

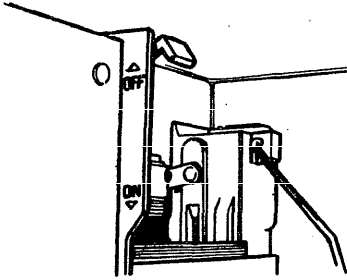
For only one or two ice cubes: leave the tray right-side-up, twist both ends slightly and remove the number of cubes desired.

Wash ice trays and storage bin in lukewarm water only. Don't put them in an automatic dishwasher.

AUTOMATIC ICEMAKER

(on models so equipped)

If your refrigerator is operated before water connection is made to the icemaker, keep the manual icemaker switch in OFF position.



When refrigerator has been connected to water supply, turn manual switch to ON position.

Ice cube mold will automatically fill with water after cooling to freezing temperature, and first cubes normally freeze after several hours. When cubes are solidly frozen, they will be ejected from the mold into the ice stor-

age bin by means of a sweeper arm. Icemaking will continue until the feeler arm is raised by a sufficient accumulation of ice cubes in the storage bin to halt the operation temporarily. For maximum ice storage, level the stored cubes with your hand occasionally. Be sure nothing interferes with the swing of the feeler arm.

Once your icemaker is in operation, throw away the first few batches of ice cubes. This will flush away any impurities in the water line. Do the same thing after vacations or extended periods when ice isn't used.

CAUTION: Under certain rare circumstances, ice cubes may be discolored, usually appearing with a green-bluish hue. The cause of this unusual discoloration is apparently due to a combination of factors such as local waters of certain characteristics, household plumbing and the accumulation of copper salts in an inactive water supply line which feeds the icemaker. Continued consumption of such discolored ice cubes may be injurious

to health. If such discoloration is observed, discard the ice cubes and contact your General Electric Customer Care® Factory Service Office or a franchised Customer Care Servicer.

If ice is used infrequently, "old" cubes will become cloudy and taste stale. Empty ice storage bin periodically and wash in lukewarm water.

When a large supply of ice will be needed, make an extra supply ahead of time. Empty bin, put cubes in plastic bags or containers and store in freezer compartment while bin refills.

Turn manual switch to OFF position if home water supply is to be turned off for several hours, or when ice storage bin is to be removed for a period of time.

Turn off valve in water supply line to refrigerator before leaving on vacations.

If this is your first icemaker, you'll hear occasional sounds that may be unfamiliar. They're normal icemaking sounds and are not cause for concern.

Cleaning Your Refrigerator

OUTSIDE

Cabinet Exterior

The steel exterior is coated with a high quality baked-on finish. However, without proper care, degradation of this finish can occur and permit rust spots to form on the outside of the cabinet.

To keep your refrigerator new-looking and provide protection for the exterior paint finish, apply a coat of appliance polish wax when the refrigerator is new and then at least twice a year. Proper care of the paint finish will help maintain the new look and provide protection against rusting. If the exterior should become soiled, wipe it off with a clean cloth lightly dampened with appliance polish or mild household detergent. Use a clean, soft cloth to dry and polish the cleaned surface. DO NOT wipe with a soiled dishwashing cloth or a wet towel.

Behind Refrigerator

Care should be taken in moving your refrigerator away from the wall. All types of floor coverings can be dam-

aged, particularly cushioned coverings and those with embossed surfaces. If your refrigerator is on rollers, pull it straight out and return to position by pushing straight in. Moving your refrigerator in a side direction may result in damage to your floor covering or refrigerator.

Defrost Water Pan

The defrost water pan is located behind the base grille. It should be cleaned at least once a year.

Condenser

For most efficient operation, remove base grille (see page 3) and remove defrost water pan, then either sweep away or vacuum up dust that is readily accessible. This easy cleaning operation should be done at least once a year.



INSIDE

Clean both fresh food and freezer compartments at least once a year. It is recommended that the refrigerator be unplugged before cleaning. If this is not practical, wring excess moisture out of sponge or cloth when cleaning in the vicinity of switches, lights or controls.

Use warm water and baking soda solution—about a tablespoon of baking soda to a quart of water. Rinse thoroughly with water and wipe dry. Follow this same procedure for cleaning door gaskets, vegetable and meat drawers, and all plastic parts. Wash ice trays and ice storage bucket in lukewarm water only. DO NOT use cleansing powders or other abrasive substances.

Do not wash any plastic parts from your refrigerator in your automatic dishwasher.

Storage Drawers

Drawers at bottom of fresh food compartment can usually be removed by lifting up slightly and pulling past "stop" position.

Vacation?

If you shut off power to the refrigerator for extended vacations, remove food and clean interior with baking soda solution using one tablespoon of baking soda per each quart of water. Wipe dry. To prevent formation of odor, place open box of soda in refrigerator and leave doors open.

If you leave for shorter absences, remove perishable foods and leave temperature controls at normal settings. If, however, room temperature is expected to go below 60°F., turn numbered control to OFF, remove food, clean interior, leave doors open and remove plug from wall receptacle.

If you have an icemaker, move icemaker manual switch to OFF position and be sure to shut off water supply to icemaker. Icemaker manual switch is near front of icemaker.

Moving?

Disconnect the power cord from the wall receptacle. Remove all foods and clean the interior.

Loose items should be protected or secured with tape—items such as grille, shelves, storage pans, ice trays, ice storage bucket, covers and removable parts. This prevents their coming loose and causing damage.

When transporting, your refrigerator must be kept in an upright position. And, if it's on rollers, be sure it is properly secured in the moving van to prevent rolling and damage.

Handle with care; exterior of refrigerator should be protected with blanket covering.

FULL ONE-YEAR WARRANTY GENERAL ELECTRIC REFRIGERATOR

From General Electric to You—This warranty is extended by General Electric to the original purchaser and to any succeeding owner and applies to products purchased in the United States, retained within the 48 contiguous states, the state of Hawaii or the District of Columbia and employed in ordinary home use.

What We Will Do—If your General Electric Refrigerator fails because of a manufacturing defect within one year from the date of original purchase, we will repair the product without charge to you. Parts and service labor are included. Service will be provided in the home in the 48 contiguous states, in the state of Hawaii or in the District of Columbia.

How To Obtain Service—Service will be provided by our local Customer Care® factory service organization or by one of our franchised Customer Care servicers during normal business hours after you notify us of the need for service. Service can be arranged by telephone.

Contact the nearest factory service office listed in this book; or look up "General Electric Factory Service" in the White pages of your telephone directory; or "General Electric Customer Care Service" in the Yellow pages; or write to the address given below.

What Is Not Covered—This warranty does not cover the failure of your Refrigerator if it is damaged while in your possession, used for commercial purposes, or if the failure is caused by unreasonable use including use on house wiring not in conformance with electrical codes, low power voltage, and failure to provide reasonable and necessary maintenance. **IN NO EVENT SHALL GENERAL ELECTRIC BE LIABLE FOR CONSEQUENTIAL DAMAGES.** This warranty does not apply to the state of Alaska nor to the Virgin Islands, Guam, American Samoa, the Canal Zone or the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico.

Some states do not allow the exclusion or limitation of incidental or consequential damages, so the above limitation may not apply to you. This warranty gives you specific legal rights and you may also have other rights which vary from state to state.

ADDITIONAL FULL FOUR-YEAR WARRANTY ON THE SEALED REFRIGERATING SYSTEM

The sealed refrigerating system (compressor, condenser, evaporator and connecting tubing—see diagram) is covered in the above full warranty. In addition to that warranty we will repair this sealed system if it fails because of a manufacturing defect within the second through fifth year after original purchase. We will bear the cost of both parts and labor.

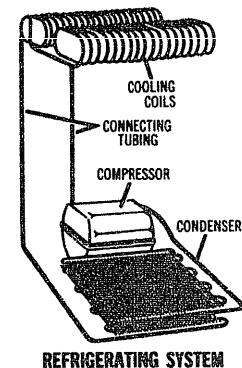
All other provisions are the same as those stated in the above full warranty.

LIMITED WARRANTY Applicable to the State of Alaska

In the state of Alaska free service including parts will be provided to correct manufacturing defects at our nearest service shop location or in your home, but we do not cover the cost of transportation of the product to the shop or for the travel cost of a technician to your home. You are responsible for those costs. All other provisions of this limited warranty are the same as those stated in the above warranties.

Where To Get Further Help: If you wish further help or information concerning this warranty, contact:
Manager - Customer Relations, General Electric Company, Appliance Park, WCE-316, Louisville, KY 40225.

Warrantor: General Electric Company, Appliance Park, Louisville, Kentucky 40225.



REFRIGERATING SYSTEM

A bill of sale, cancelled check or other payment record should be kept to verify the original purchase date and to establish the warranty period.

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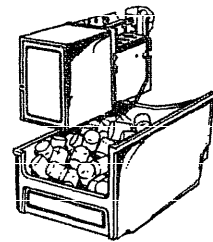
WATCH FOR CHANGES. Addresses and telephone numbers sometimes change. And new Centers open.

If the numbers change, check your telephone book. Look in the White Pages under General Electric Factory Service.

Automatic Icemaker Accessory Kit Optional at extra cost

A GE automatic icemaker will replace the ice you use... automatically. It can keep you supplied with a binful of cubes—ice for everything, everybody—without fuss or muss.

If your refrigerator did not come already equipped with an automatic icemaker, you may add one—contact your local GE dealer; specify GE-KIT-1 or UK-KIT-1.



Note: Model TBF16S is not equipped to accept an automatic icemaker.

Trouble-Shooting Guide

Save time and money... before you call for service, check the following:

Refrigerator does not operate

- May be in defrost cycle when motor does not operate for 30 minutes.
- Temperature control in OFF position.
- If interior light is not on, refrigerator may not be plugged in at wall receptacle.
- If plug is secure and the refrigerator still fails to operate, plug a lamp or a small appliance into the same outlet to determine if there is a tripped circuit breaker or burned out fuse.

Motor operates for long periods

- Modern refrigerators with more storage space and a larger freezer compartment require more operating time.
- Normal when refrigerator is first delivered to your home—usually requires 24 hours to completely cool down.
- Large amounts of food placed in refrigerator to be cooled or frozen.
- Hot weather—frequent door openings.
- Door left open.
- Temperature controls are set too cold. Refer to instructions for use of TEMPERATURE CONTROLS on page 4.
- Grille and condenser need cleaning. Refer to CONDENSER on page 7.
- Check ENERGY SAVING TIPS on page 4.

Motor starts & stops frequently

- Temperature control starts and stops motor to maintain even temperatures.

Operating sounds

- The high speed motor compressor required to maintain near zero temperatures in the large freezer compartment may produce higher sound levels than your old refrigerator.
- Normal fan air flow—one fan blows cold air through the refrigerator and freezer compartments—another fan cools the motor compressor.
- These NORMAL sounds will also be heard from time to time:
 - Defrost timer switch clicks at defrost.
 - Defrost water dripping into drain pan.
 - Temperature control clicks ON or OFF.
 - Refrigerant boiling or gurgling.
 - Cracking or popping of cooling coils caused by expansion and contraction during defrost and refrigeration following defrost.
 - With automatic icemaker, the sound of cubes dropping into the bucket and water running in pipes as icemaker refills.

Vibration or rattling

- If refrigerator vibrates, more than likely it is not resting solidly on the floor and front roller screws or leveling legs need adjusting or floor is weak or uneven. Refer to INSTALLATION on page 3.
- If dishes vibrate on shelves, try moving them. Slight vibration is normal.
- Defrost water pan rattling, needs to be positioned properly.

Hot air from bottom of refrigerator

- Normal air flow cooling motor.
In the refrigeration process, it is normal that heat be expelled in area under refrigerator. Some floor coverings will discolor at these normal and safe operating temperatures. Your floor covering supplier should be consulted if you object to this discoloration.

Fresh food or freezer temperature too warm

- Temperature control not set cold enough. Refer to TEMPERATURE CONTROLS on page 4.
- Warm weather—frequent door openings.
- Door left open for long periods.
- Package may be holding door open.
- Package blocking air duct in freezer compartment.

Foods dry out

- Packages not covered, wrapped or sealed properly.

Frost on frozen food

- Door may have been left ajar or package holding door open.
- Too frequent and too long door openings.
- Frost within package is normal.
- Heavily loaded freezer compartment can cause reduced air flow around food packages.

Slow ice cube freezing

- Door may have been left ajar.
- Turn temperature of freezer compartment colder. Set controls to "D" and '5."

- If the doors are not opened regularly, ice cube freezing rate will be reduced.

Ice cubes have odor/taste

- Old cubes need to be discarded.
- Cube bucket needs to be emptied and washed.
- Unsealed packages in refrigerator and/or freezer compartments may be transmitting odor/taste to ice cubes.
- Interior of refrigerator needs cleaning—refer to page 7.

Moisture forms on outside of refrigerator

- Not unusual during period of high humidity.
- Move energy saver switch to the right.



Moisture collects inside

- Too frequent and too long door openings.
- In humid weather air carries moisture into refrigerator when doors are opened.

Water on the floor

- Defrost water pan full, missing or not in position.

Refrigerator has odor

- Foods with strong odors should be tightly covered. Check for spoiled food.
- Interior needs cleaning. Refer to CLEANING-INSIDE on page 7.
- Defrost water pan needs cleaning.
- Keep box of baking soda in refrigerator; replace monthly.

Interior light does not light

- No power at outlet.
- Light bulb needs replacing.

RAPID
ELECTRICAL
DIAGNOSIS

Your refrigerator is wired for accurate electrical diagnosis in your home—takes only minutes to check its entire electrical system. No need to unplug, move or unload the refrigerator to make diagnosis.

IF YOU REQUIRE SERVICE

Call your General Electric Factory Service Center (see page 9) or a franchised Customer Care® Servicer.



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